



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Thomas J. Skierski, et. al.

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For: Method of Verifying Color and Strength Properties  
of Wood Stains

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated February 22, 2005, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.